



Buena Vista Trails Advisory Board
April 7, 2009
Public Works Building

Present: Lois Walton, Roy Gertson, Bob Gray, Pat McCarthy, Fran Rulon-Miller, Kathy Hoerlein

Guest: Town Administrator, Sue Boyd

1. Lois called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
2. March 3, 2009 Minutes approved as corrected.

OLD BUSINESS

Updates:

1. Request for zone change from El Rancho Vaquero – The southern half was zoned I (Industrial) and the northern half was R1. The request is for the southern half to be R1. The map showed the trail on the east side being half the way to Gregg Dr. The Trails Advisory Board recommends in the Subdivision Resubmittal that a trail easement of 15' to 20' along the entire east side of the property to be included within the 60' road easement to Gregg Dr. with an 8' – 10' hard surface (compacted crusher fines) bike/ped pathway as specified in the Trails Master Plan – p. 12.
2. Status of other subdivisions with relation to trail development
 - ~Colorado Center – Phase I is in negotiation due to the difficult economy. Included is the upgrading to the intersection at 319 and Hwy 24. The future vision is a transportation hub at the airport. The recommendation from Sue is the easement and initial construction with a time frame. Southard has given land for a hard surface trail from Steele to Gregg Dr.
 - ~So. Main and Ramsour – Phase II will need to be restarted.
 - ~Cottage Glen – P&Z will be meeting April 15.
3. CDOT Enhancement Grant – Roy reported the trail work will still be in 2010.
4. River Park boulder area and trail connection-GOCO Grant – Roy reported that the construction will begin June 1.
5. Web page – Ed had noticed that our web site looked narrow and broken up. Sue said there had been computer problems. For future updates, additions, etc., our contact person is Jennifer.
6. Non-deeded property by Cottage Glen and Vessey easement – Sue mentioned that the Town is working on a 5-year capital investment plan and that trails goals and costs would be included. This property would need attorney and surveyor fees.
7. Trail logo signs and rock placement – Bob and Roy reported that all rocks are in place. Ed and Bob will glue in disks in May. Bob also reported that the Arkansas River Trail to the north has 3 places where spur trails have caused erosion problems. To prevent further damage we may possibly make one as a designated trail and put signs on the other two to use designated trails. We discussed maintaining what we have and create a project list using maintenance logs.
8. BV Trails Advisory goals for 2009 and listed priorities for 2010 budget – Members spent time revising goals, priorities, and trail projects for 2009.
9. 501(c)(3) status for The Trailhead donations – Lois is in the process of contacting Allison from GARNA for information as it is already an established 501(c)(3). We will need a mission statement and a title and present to the board of trustees.
10. Other: Pat brought up the point that in regard to trails construction and in subdivision developments the Trails Board needs to recommend the specifications in our Trails Plan and not compromise our guidelines for Trail easements and construction. It was agreed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Strategic planning meeting – Roy
2. Field trips for spring – dog park area, Arkansas River Trail – erosion areas and social trails
3. Trail Fest – in July. Fran will check on the poster/sign from last year

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tues., May 5, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at Public Works Building

Minutes submitted by Kathy Hoerlein

